

## **CANADA: North American Forestry Commission Fire Management Working Group (NAFC-FMWG) Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting of the NAFC-FMWG was held in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada October 15-18, 2002 with representatives from Canada, Mexico and the United States. Larry Hamilton and Tom Frey attended the meeting representing BLM. The Forest Service was represented by Alice Forbes (Forest Service Director at NIFC) and John Schulte (Acting Disaster/Emergency Operations and International Fire Coordinator). Representatives from Canada included the Province of Alberta, Parks Canada, the Canadian Forest Service and the Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre. Representatives from Mexico came from the National Forestry Commission and the Mexican Fund for the Conservation of Natural Resources.

Issues discussed included the 2002 fire season in each country, international cooperative efforts during 2002, and future areas of collaboration. Field visits included visits to the Canadian Forest Service research center in Edmonton, the Province of Alberta's operations center and prescribed fire sites in Jasper National Park.

